

VICTORIOUS JAPS PURSUE FLEEING RUSSIAN ARMY

Fighting Resumed Again This Morning, the Fifth Day of the Engagement, Against General Kuropatkin.

TEN MORE GUNS CAPTURED BY OKU

St. Petersburg Cast in the Deepest Gloom--Fear That General Kuropatkin's Army Will Be Annihilated.

Tokio, Oct. 15.—After the Japanese had partly occupied Shalapan yesterday evening, the Russian main body fell back into the mountainous district east of the railway, where they halted and are now facing the Japanese right, which they endeavored to surround yesterday evening. The Japanese have engaged three Russian reserve divisions, which are believed to be personally commanded by General Kuropatkin.

Fighting against these reserves was resumed this morning. The utmost importance is attached to the outcome.

The Russians about Pensiin have fled to the northeast.

General Oku has captured ten more guns and the fighting continues along the whole front.

News of the utmost importance from Kuroki is expected momentarily.

Field Marshall Oyama reports regarding yesterday's engagement that the column under Prince Kanin is now fighting on the left bank of Fatscho, at a point seven miles east of Benishu. Both the Japanese attack and advance are progressing satisfactorily through the front. The left army captured ten more guns. Gen. Oku reports the casualties among his officers during the fighting Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday were four killed and thirty-one wounded, two missing.

Field Marshall Oyama reports the casualties of the enemy are estimated at over 30,000. The corpses buried by the Japanese on Thursday exceeded 2,000. Large quantities of rifles, ammunition, etc., were captured.

IN DEEPEST GLOOM.

Russians Unable to Find Any Excuse For Present Disaster.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 15.—All classes are today plunged in the deepest gloom over the reverses suffered by the Russian armies south of Mukden. The military authorities express the fear that General Kuropatkin will suffer still greater disaster when he begins to retreat across the Hun river. The Russians frankly admit that they are unable to find any excuse for the present disaster. The czar is said to be in a ill with worry and at the present time pitiable state of depression and is really begins to doubt the ultimate outcome of the war.

27 JAPANESE OFFICERS KILLED.

One Hundred and Thirty-Three Others Were Wounded at Port Arthur.

Tokio, Oct. 14.—It is officially announced that twenty-seven officers were killed and that 133 were wounded during the operations against Port Arthur from June 26 to July 31.

VICTORY COMPLETE.

Wondering in London if Kuropatkin Can Retreat in Good Order.

London, Oct. 15.—All accounts of the fighting south of Mukden that have reached London appear to confirm the completeness of the Japanese victory and the only question discussed by military critics is whether General Kuropatkin will be able to make as orderly a retreat as he did from Liao Yang, or whether the Japanese possess sufficient reserves to undertake a successful pursuit in which latter case it is believed the Russians will be compelled to abandon Mukden. The Standard's Yantai correspondent sent a dispatch to a news agency from Tokio asserting that General Oku's army has occupied Pachiase, only 12 miles from Mukden, but this statement is not credited here.

The Standard's correspondent at Yantai under the date of October 10, says: "The whole Russian line has been driven back a distance of twenty miles and seventy guns have been captured. Pursuit is being kept up by a strong force on both flanks. There is a good reason to hope that Oyama has succeeded in enveloping the enemy."

The cause of the Russian defeat is that the Japanese army drove a wedge into the middle of the enemy's line. Prisoners say General Kuropatkin personally commanded the troops on the main road and that General Mistechev commanded at Benishu. A brigade of infantry and a regiment of cavalry crossed the Taitse river but found themselves in a critical position and retired to the right bank, with the Japanese in pursuit. The Japanese hurled back 16

counter attacks upon their right. The army lost 3,000 men in the fighting around Benishu."

A dispatch from Tokio to the Standard says:

"It is unofficially reported that the Japanese right army has succeeded in isolating a force of three to four divisions of Russians in the Benishu-Kiao-tan district. It is rumored that Kuropatkin himself is with the force, which seems doomed to destruction. The central army captured eleven guns and the left army 25 guns, whilst the spoils of the right army are expected to be still more valuable. It is believed that the disastrous advance was forced on General Kuropatkin from St. Petersburg. In any case his move was an unexpected Godsend for the Japanese army."

Report of Retreat.

Rome, Oct. 15.—A report from Tokio has it that General Kuropatkin has been wounded. Mukden, the dispatch says, garrison there is departing for Harbin.

MAY CAUSE TROUBLE.

Russia Opened Mail Directed to U. S. Cruiser Cincinnati.

Washington, Oct. 14.—It developed today that a pouch containing mail for the United States cruiser Cincinnati, then at Nagasaki, Japan, which was aboard the British steamer Calchas, when that vessel was seized by the Russian Vladivostok squadron, had been opened while in the possession of the Russian officials, released and sent on to its destination. This information came to the postoffice department today in a communication from the Japanese postal administration, in conformity with a practice always followed when there has been any mishap in the delivery of mail pouches. The matter will be referred to the state department for action as was done with the case of the ordinary United States mail on the vessel at the time she was seized.

This latest phase of the seizure of the Calchas's mails has caused a painful surprise in official circles and if the act of opening the pouch addressed to the Cincinnati was wittingly done, the probability is that a strong protest will be lodged with the Russian government.

It is stated at the navy department that the mail pouch referred to did not contain any official communication, simply mail for the men aboard the ship.

LIEUT.-GOV. STEARNS ON THE OUTLOOK

Tells What He Thinks the Legislature Will Do at This Session in Enacting Laws.

Burlington, Oct. 15.—Lieut.-Gov. Stearns who was in Burlington a little while today was interviewed by a reporter upon the general outlook for business for the legislature. Mr. Stearns is sanguine in saying that in his opinion the body this term will prove a business making body. "There will be a caucus law enacted," said the Lieutenant Governor, "although the bill now before the legislature will be modified somewhat. I do not believe much will be done with the liquor license law aside from a change in the second class license to a higher fee. The town system of license boards is not satisfactory in every case but probably cannot be well improved upon. There may be other minor changes made."

"What about state expenses?" queried the reporter. "Will there be a reform there?"

"A special committee is already at work investigating the insane asylum accounts, but there is not time for a full investigation before adjournment. I would like to see all the supplies, particularly coal, etc., used in the various state institutions purchased by contract instead of each for itself as at present. There would be a great saving."

"The bounties on noxious animals have got to go as the bill providing for this change in the law is meeting with great favor."

AUTUMN EXCURSION.

Another Chance to Visit New York at Low Rate of Fare.

The Central Vermont Railway Co. will run another excursion to New York on Tuesday, Oct. 25, via the Central Vermont railway to New London and thence to New York by the steamer "City of Lowell." Tickets for the round trip will be \$6.00 from Williams-town, So. Barre, Barre and Montpelier, and will be good going on train leaving Barre at 11:35 a. m., Tuesday, Oct. 25. Tickets will be good only on trains named above October 25, 1904, to arrive in New York not later than October 26, 1904. Good returning to leave New York not later than November 4, 1904, to arrive at starting point not later than November 5, inclusive.

Owing to the very low rates at which these tickets are sold, no stop-over privileges will be allowed in either direction.

Singing Class.

I shall start a class in voice culture, Monday evening, Nov. 7, in the basement of the Presbyterian church and continue throughout the winter. Terms made known on application. Miss Emma J. Phillips, 2 Cable St.

Ladies' and gentlemen's solid gold watches at F. E. Burr & Co's.

SCHOONER WRECKED

Four Lives Were Lost Off Cape Cod.

THREE OF CREW SAVED

Schooner Was From St. John and Had Cargo of Lathes—Second Wreck on Coast Within 48 Hours.

Provincetown, Mass., Oct. 15.—The three-masted schooner Elwood Burton from St. John, N. B., for New York, with a cargo of lathes, was wrecked on the outer bar at Peaked Hill, last night, and the captain and three of the crew were drowned. Three others of the crew were rescued by the life savers and one body was recovered.

This is the second wreck off the cape within 48 hours.

JOHN FARRAR AT HOME.

Allowed to Attend His Father's Funeral at Waterbury.

Eutaw, Oct. 14.—Although there are still ten days before the expiration of his sentence, John Farrar of Waterbury, who has been behind prison bars at the House of Correction for some five years for embezzlement, has gone to Waterbury to attend the funeral of his father. At the time Mr. Farrar was sent to the House of Correction for seven years imprisonment, the whole state was aroused over the case, owing to the youth of the respondent, his previous good character and the situation in his family and home. Mr. Farrar has gone on in a quiet way putting his spare time to good advantage in various studies and has gained for himself the name of one of the best prisoners at the institution. His sentence will expire Monday the 24th.

Word was received by Mr. Farrar yesterday of the sudden death of his father, Edward Farrar, village president and water commissioner of Waterbury. He was in a ditch about seven feet deep when the banks suddenly caved in on him. On receiving notice of his father's death, John Farrar got into communication with District Attorney J. L. Martin and obtained permission to attend the funeral. He left last night accompanied by Waterbury.

The House of Correction officials stated tonight that Mr. Farrar had not been released. He was allowed to attend the funeral at District Attorney Martin's instructions but in charge of the sheriff at Waterbury. When asked if Mr. Farrar would return to serve out his sentence, the official said he did not know, but presumed as it was so near an end he would not.

KING GEORGE IS DEAD.

Succeeded to the Throne of Saxony, June 19, 1902.

Dresden, Oct. 15.—King George of Saxony died at Pillnitz at 2:25 o'clock this morning. His end was peaceful. His sons were present at the death bed.

King George of Saxony who was born at Pillnitz on August 8, 1852, succeeded to the throne upon the death of his childless brother, Albert, on June 19, 1902. In May, 1889, he married at Lisbon, Marie Anna, a sister of the King of Portugal, who died in February, 1884. There were five children, the Princess Mathilde, Prince Frederick Augustus, the Princess Marie, Prince Jean-Georges and Prince Maximilian. In the year 1870 King George held the rank of field marshal of the German army. He was taken ill in the early part of last June.

WAS VERMONT BENEFACTOR.

Hon. B. F. Blood, Donor of Windsor Library, Is Dead.

Windsor, Oct. 14.—Word was received this evening that Hon. B. F. Blood, donor of the Windsor library and a fund for the Old South Church of this town was dead at Waltham, Mass., aged 82 years. Mr. Blood was born in what is now West Windsor and had lived here many years before removing to Waltham. He had given a public library to Brownsville and one to Acuteville besides the one here. He was present at the dedication of the Windsor library building a few weeks ago, and was not feeling well at that time, but no one expected that it would be his last visit. Postmaster S. R. Bryant has gone to Waltham to make arrangements for the funeral which will be held here and burial in the Old South cemetery at Windsor.

POSTOFFICE DEPARTMENT

A Deficiency of \$5,779,492 for Last Fiscal Year.

Washington, Oct. 14.—The postal deficiency for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1904, last, was \$5,779,492. There was a total postal expenditure during the year of \$132,363,116; total postal revenue, \$145,582,624.

Ex-Gov. Cornell Dead.

Ithaca, N. Y., Oct. 15.—Ex-Gov. Alonzo B. Cornell died today.

THREE KILLED, BURSTING GUN

And Eight Others Are Badly Injured

AT WINTHROP, MASS., FORT

Men Were at Target Practice When Accident Happened—Explosion Due to Improper Adjustment.

Boston, Oct. 15.—Three men were killed and eight others injured by a bursting gun during a target practice at Fort Barnes at Winthrop this morning. The dead are Sergeant George Nevins and Privates Kelley and Emory Higgins. The injured are Sergeant Allen and seven privates, making eleven casualties. No details of the accident are obtainable but it is reported the explosion was due to improper adjustment of the breech block of the mortar.

REPORTED MANY KILLED.

Express on Denver & Rio Grande Railroad Collided With Freight.

Pueblo, Colo., Oct. 15.—The east bound limited express on the Denver & Rio Grande railroad collided with a freight, head-on, near Florence. It is reported many were killed.

Later reports say no passengers were killed, but the engineer, fireman and brakeman on the freight were killed.

EXPRESS IN COLLISION.

Empire State Express Narrowly Escapes Serious Accident.

Albany, N. Y., Oct. 14.—The Empire State express on the New York Central narrowly missed a serious wreck in the Rensselaer yards across the river from here tonight because she was not under full speed in her journey to New York. As it was, one man, a fireman, was killed, one engineer slightly injured and two locomotives were badly wrecked.

The Empire State just out of Albany at 7 p. m. collided with a light engine which was standing on the main line track. A. W. Parsons of Rensselaer, fireman of the freight, was almost instantly killed and Engineer Collard of Albany was slightly injured. No one on the express train was hurt but her engine was badly damaged and derailed.

After a delay of more than an hour another engine was secured, and the empire proceeded to New York.

It is said the accident was due to a towman's error in passing one of two light engines from the main line into the round house, and inadvertently locking out the other until too late to prevent the accident.

CANON UNCHANGED.

Episcopal General Convention Rejects Divorce Amendment.

Boston, Oct. 14.—The house of deputies of the Episcopal general convention after a four-day's debate today rejected an amendment to the divorce canon, which sought to prevent the remarriage of divorced persons by clergymen of the denomination. While the house of bishops may yet act on the matter, it is certain that no change will be made by the present convention.

The present law of the church allows the remarriage of the innocent party to a divorce granted for infidelity. When a vote was taken today by the house of deputies sitting as a committee of the whole on the question of reporting the proposed amendment to the house itself, the reformers were successful by a vote of 214 to 191, and this vote was regarded as representing the actual strength of the contending forces.

The final vote, however, was taken by dioceses and orders, and where a diocese was evenly divided in sentiment, its strength was counted in the negative.

TWO YEARS FOR BURGLARY.

Sentence Imposed on Henry King in Orleans County Court.

Newport, Oct. 14.—Henry King, who pleaded guilty to a charge of burglary in Orleans county court, was sentenced yesterday by Chief Justice Rowell to ten years at hard labor in the state prison at Windsor.

The jury has been discharged and the court is being occupied with divorce cases and will adjourn either late today or tomorrow.

COLONIZING CHARGED.

Warrants Out for Richard Van Cott, Postmaster's Son.

New York, Oct. 15.—Warrants for the arrest on the charges of colonizing, of Richard Van Cott, son of Postmaster Van Cott, and Frank, son of McAvoy, cashier in the general postoffice, were issued today. The attorney-general has located 200 men who were brought to the city from other states by Van Cott and McAvoy for purposes of illegal voting.

WON BY MISS BISHOP.

National Golf Championship Goes to Her.

Philadelphia, Oct. 15.—The Women's National Golf Championship was won today by Miss Georganna Bishop of the Brooklawn Country Club, defeating Mrs. E. F. Sanford by the score of 4 up, 3 to go.

STILL ON TRIAL.

Calais Rape Case Not Yet Finished in County Court.

Montpelier, Oct. 15.—The case of state vs. Hiram Warren of Calais, is still on trial in county court. The respondent is charged with rape committed upon Gladys Stearns of Johnson, while she was staying at Warren's home in Calais this last summer. Miss Stearns is not quite fourteen years of age and is totally blind. The state claims that Warren was in the habit of going upstairs to put Gladys and his own six-year-old boy to bed and that one night he stayed and assaulted the girl. The following morning a further assault was made, according to the girl's testimony. The matter first became known to her parents a little later when she was ill. The defense is a flat denial of the charge, and evidence has been presented tending to show that William Stearns, father of the girl, had a grudge against Warren. Warren has a wife and two children, one of which was born in September. The state rested its case at 10:30 yesterday forenoon. State's Attorney Senter is assisted by Clarence H. Senter and H. Hollister Jackson and W. A. Lord. F. P. Carleton and F. L. Laird are defending.

Irvine Isham, who was convicted yesterday in Washington county court of illegally killing deer, is seriously ill in the county jail with heart trouble. He is the care of the city physician.

The petit jurors not on the Warren case were excused this afternoon by Judge Tyler until after the October term of supreme court, which convenes October 25. Commencing next Monday afternoon the court calendar will be taken up and divorce and other court cases will be in order.

WOMEN'S CHURCH WORK.

Friday Devoted to Exposition of It At Northfield.

Northfield, Oct. 14.—In the course of this week's celebration of the centennial of the First Methodist Episcopal church, today was devoted to an exposition of the work the women have done in the church.

Addresses were made on the various departments of women's work by Mrs. B. R. McWhorter and Mrs. Mary A. Webb of Bradford, Mrs. Mary P. Donaldson of Franklin, and Miss Elizabeth Hanson of Barre. This evening the Epworth league will observe its anniversary.

There will be no services tomorrow, and on Sunday the celebration will come to a close with services at different hours, conducted by former pastors.

HER NINETIETH BIRTHDAY.

Miss Mary Thwing Kept Open House at Montpelier Yesterday.

Miss Mary Thwing celebrated her ninetieth birthday at her home, No. 148 Main street, Montpelier, yesterday afternoon and kept open house from 2 until 4 o'clock. During the two hours many of her friends, both young and old called to help her celebrate the event.

Miss Thwing is the last of a family of six children that were born to Joshua and Judith Thwing in Barre. She was the oldest member of the family of children and was born Oct. 14, 1814. The Loomis house, so called, in which Miss Thwing resides, she occupied with her sisters, Mrs. Amanda Loomis and Mrs. Roxanna Dodge, both now deceased.

BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Carroll Fenwick's Thirteenth Remembered by Friends.

Last Thursday evening Carroll Fenwick was greatly surprised when a party of his young friends gathered at his home to remind him of his thirteenth birthday. The evening was passed very enjoyably in playing games, there being lots of music. Refreshments were served after which Carroll thanked his friends for their kindness and the many beautiful presents which he had received. The party broke up at an early hour and all went home feeling quite happy.

MURDER IN WORCESTER.

Unknown Man Received Cut in the Jugular Vein.

Worcester, Mass., Oct. 14.—A man whose identity has not been established was murdered on Millbury street at 11 o'clock tonight, and the police are pursuing two men, also unknown, who were seen on the street with the dead man at the time of the murder. One of them was seen to strike the murdered man, and it was found upon examination that his jugular vein had been severed by a knife.

Frank Dix, known as Frank Dix, and Joseph Deiski were arrested at their boarding house as suspicious persons.

SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

Burlington Will Have a Base Ball Team Next Year.

The Burlington Clipper says: Yes, Burlington will have a base ball team next season and there will be familiar faces among the players. St. Albans isn't likely to come into the league, but Montreal is, and this will be better than paying a bonus to a team in order to complete the league. There should be six teams in the organization. The season should begin as early as the first of June and continue into September. There will be good ball next season and the management of the teams will differ somewhat from that of the past season.

At the Woodmen's Fair.

Great diamond ring contest between Misses Katherine McGinn and Ida Chunn. Vote for the winner.

BUILDINGS DESTROYED

Lucius Gould of North Montpelier

LOSES HOUSE AND BARN

Fire Also Destroys 30 Tons of Hay, Two Hogs, 25 Cords of Wood and Part of Household Goods.

The farm buildings of Lucius Gould at North Montpelier were burned to the ground last evening at about 7 o'clock, together with 30 tons of hay, two hogs, 25 cords of wood and a part of his household goods. The loss is estimated at \$2,000, which is partially covered by insurance.

The fire started from a lantern, which fell through a scuttle hole in the barn door, breaking as it struck and setting the place afire. The fire spread very rapidly and soon the house and barn were all ablaze.

The illumination from the fire was visible from this city and many thought from its brightness the fire must be nearer.

DEATH OF MRS. FRANK F. WALKER

Passed Away at Home on Jefferson Street Early This Morning.

Mrs. Frank F. Walker died at 3:30 o'clock this morning at her home on Jefferson street, after a long illness with bronchial consumption.

The deceased was 58 years of age and was born in Stratford. She leaves to mourn her loss a husband who is a well known clarinetist of this city, and three daughters, Miss Myrtle L., Miss Gertrude and Miss Hazen Clark, all of this city. She also leaves two brothers, one in Stratford and the other in New York, and one sister, Mrs. Louise Langworthy, of San Francisco, Cal., who was here to visit the deceased only about three weeks ago.

A prayer service will be held at the late home Monday morning and the body will be taken on the 5:35 train to Stratford for funeral services and burial.

GALLI-BROGGI.

Married at Noon Today at Home of the Bride on Addison Street.

Miss Jennie Broggi and Battista Galli were united in marriage at 12 o'clock today at the bride's home, 17 Addison street. The ceremony was performed by B. H. Wells in the presence of a large party of friends and relatives of the bride and groom.

After the ceremony a wedding dinner was served at the house of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Osola and this evening a reception will be given by Mr. and Mrs. Galli in Hale's Pavilion.

FRASER WINS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Carries Off Honors in Barre Golf Club for 1904.

The match for the annual championship of the Barre Golf club between John Fraser and James Reid was played off yesterday afternoon. Fraser defeated Reid and wins the championship for this year.

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Times and Places of Worship and Subjects of Sermons.

Adjit. and Mrs. Orchard of the Salvation Army will farewell tomorrow.

The session of the Presbyterian church will meet tomorrow morning at 10:15 o'clock.

In the Presbyterian church tomorrow evening the service will be omitted. Mr. Mitchell will preach in the morning.

Congregational church. The pastor will conduct the services. Subject of morning sermon, "Conservatism." Evening subject, "The Church Forsaken and Espoused."

At the Baptist church tomorrow morning, the pastor, Rev. W. A. Kinzie, will preach. Subject, "Sustained by Work." Evening subject, "The Uplifted Christ."

Christian Science services are held in Nichols' block Sunday at 10:45 a. m. and Wednesday evening at 7:45. The reading room is open Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 2 to 4 o'clock.

Universalist church, Sunday, Oct. 16, morning service in the church parlors at 10:30, Sunday school following. Junior Union at 4:30 and Young People's meeting at 5:45. No evening service.

At the Methodist church morning worship at 10:30. Sermon, "The Prophet of the Broken Heart." Bible school 12. Epworth League 5:45. Evening worship 7. Sermon on "The Teaching of Jesus Concerning Sin."

The Swedish services tomorrow in the Worthen block at 10:30. Subject, "I Know my Redeemer Lives." At 6:30 the young people's society will conduct the prayer meeting, and at 7 o'clock sermon, subject, "Temperance."

Church of the Good Shepherd: Holy Communion (save on the first Sunday in the month) at 8 a. m.; first Sunday in the month, 10:30 a. m.; service and sermon each Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7 p. m.; Sunday school at 12 m.; special service on great feast days and all Saints' Days at 10 a. m.